

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

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Price of Pulses

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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the Minimum Support Price and bonus on various kinds of pulses that the Government has given in the last three years, year and variety-wise;
- (b) the details of Government agency which procure pulses from farmers and the quantum procured during the above period, year, State and variety-wise;
- (c) the details of domestic consumption of pulses during the above period, year and variety-wise;
- (d) whether any private agency/people also purchase pulses from farmers and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government is seriously considering to reduce the prices of pulses and if so, whether any action has been taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a) : The details are given at Annexure-I.

(b) : The details are given at Annexure-II.

(c) : Data on year-wise consumption of pulses is not compiled by the Government. However, in the Report of the Working Group on 'Foodgrains-Balancing Demand and Supply' for the 12th Five Year Plan, the estimated demand of pulses in the year 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 are 22.68 MMT, 23.62 MMT and 24.61 MMT respectively.

(d) :Yes Madam. Private agency/people also purchase from farmers but the details are not collected by the Government.

(e) : Yes Madam. The details are given at Annexure-III.
